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SOURCE Meditsinskiy Rabotnik, No 48, 1949.NEWS ITEMS OF MEDICAL INTERESTSKRYABIN GETS MECHNIKOV MEDAL

The Presidium of the Academy of Sciences voted to award the 1949 Mechnikov Medal to Academician K. I. Skryabin for having submitted the most valuable work in the field of microbiology, immunology, epidemiology, and treatment of infectious diseases. Skryabin is an Active Member of the Academy of Sciences USSR, the All-Union Academy of Agricultural Sciences imeni V. I. Lenin, the Academy of Medical Sciences USSR, and has already been honored by being named a Laureate of the Stalin Prize. He has published over 500 scientific reports and has been closely associated with achievements in Soviet helminthology and its effect on the Soviet national economy.

IN HONOR OF STALIN CONSTITUTION DAY

The workers of the Moscow Chemicopharmaceutical Factory imeni Semashko have completed their 11-month plan on time and in addition have produced one million rubles' worth of above-quota goods. The authorities of the Voronezh Pharmaceutical Factory report that the annual quotas will be filled on 5 December 1949. A special super-Stakhanovite operating procedure has gone into effect to celebrate Stalin Constitution Day with the result that some of the workers are actually working on their 1951 quotas. Students and faculty at the First Moscow Order of Lenin Medical Institute and the Second Medical Institute imeni Stalin are preparing special programs in honor of the holiday.

The festivities will be particularly joyful due to news released by authorities in Moscow Oblast that many two-story buildings which will comprise the municipal polyclinic are being built at Ozero Rayon center. A special infectious disease department has been organized in Noginskiy at the Istominskiy Hospital. A Children's Tuberculosis Sanatorium with 80 beds has been dedicated in Istrinskiy Rayon. A new hospital building is being constructed at the Yakovlev station with the cooperation of the Zagorskiy Public Health Department and the workers of the "Trud" Kolkhoz.

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For the past 6 months, a night dispensary has been available for workers of the Panteleymonovskiy Factory for Refractory Brick. An average of 35 workers get a special medical course monthly. This course includes special diets and treatments without placing the workers on the absentee rolls.

PRAISES ARCTIC WORKERS

General-Mayor A. A. Kurnetsov, Chief, Main Administration of the Northern Sea Route, cited the Department of Public Health for its work in the far northern regions. Medical personnel at Malaya Kheta, Khatay, Ugol'naya, and Dikson Island were among those mentioned especially.

MEDICAL WORKERS MEET IN TARTU

B. Kuz'min, Tartu, Estonia, reports that a 3-day conference of medical workers from Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania was held recently at Tartu. Reports were submitted on the control of tuberculosis in cities and on the farm, and peculiarities of dysentery in children and its control. The greatest interest was shown in a report submitted by Prof. L. N. Fedorov, Deputy of the Scientific Medical Council, Ministry of Public Health USSR, in which he pointed out the tasks of scientific medical councils in the Baltic republics.

MEDICAL ESTABLISHMENTS PREPARE FOR WINTER

Medical establishments throughout the Soviet Union have completed programs for operations during the coming winter months.

The Children's Sanatorium on Lake Shartash, near Sverdlovsk, prepared for the winter by storing adequate supplies of fire wood and repairing the buildings and heating equipment. The sanatorium which will remain open all winter will accommodate some 1,500 children.

The Tbilisi Municipal Public Health Department has authorized major repairs to some 65 medical buildings. Glass has been placed in all the windows and fuel stocks have been filled. Medical facilities in and around Zaporozh'ye have been prepared for winter operation. More than 500,000 rubles have spent in modernizing and preparing Hospital No 3. Other medical activities have been supplied with fuel and proper heating equipment.

EXPEDITIONS LOCATE MEDICINAL PLANTS

Medicinal plants and herbs abound in Stalino Oblast. In 1949, the Oblast Apothecary Administration sent several expeditions out into the field to discover new herbs, with the result that the annual stocks are twice as large as those collected in 1948.

VYGODCHIKOV ELECTED TO MEDICAL COUNCIL

Prof G. V. Vygodchikov was elected Deputy to the Scientific Medical Council, Ministry of Public Health USSR.

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